The schemes for children include "Scheme for Prevention and Control of Juvenile Social Maladjustment", Scheme for welfare of working children in need of care and protection" and "Integrated Scheme for Street Children."

(c) State-wise and year-wise details of the voluntary organizations receiving grant under the schemes, including West Bengal, are available on the website of this Ministry at www.wcd.nic.in.

(d) All the Schemes of the Ministry are being properly monitored through an in-built system of monitoring in each scheme.

Malnutrition in Madhya Pradesh

302. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that severe malnutrition has claimed the lives of around 125 children under six years in four districts of Madhya Pradesh, since May, 2008;

(b) whether Government is also aware that there are 33,000 malnourished children in that State in the 0—5 age-group;

(c) what has been done by the Ministry in this regard;

(d) what kind of coordination the Ministry has with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to identify the areas where children and mothers are victims of malnutrition; and

(e) what measures are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) There have been reports, in recent months, of deaths of children due to malnutrition in some districts of Madhya Pradesh. The Madhya Pradesh Government has reported that there has been no death of children under six due to malnutrition. However, malnutrition is high in some parts of Madhya Pradesh and is often a contributing factor for deaths due to disease among the children.

(b) The State Government has conducted 12th round of Bal Sanjivini Campaign, according to which there are 48,220 severely malnourished children in age group 0-5 years, in the State.

(c) The State has been allocated a quantity of 21852 MTs of Wheat and 2109 MTs of Rice under the Wheat Based Nutrition Programme for the first two quarters of the year 2008-09.

As amount of Rs.82.90 crores has also been released as Government of India's share, under the Supplementary Nutrition Programme, during the year 2008-09.

Grant-in-aid, under the ICDS Scheme, to the tune of Rs.102.34 crore till September 2008, has also been released by the Government of India to the Government of Madhya Pradesh.

The State Government has also taken various steps for the improvement of the health and nutrition status of the children of Madhya Pradesh by implementing various schemes, like Bal Sanjivini Abhiyan, Project Muskan, Bal Shakti Yojana, Mangal Diwas, Project Shaktiman etc.

(d) There is in-built mechanism in the ICDS Scheme for coordination with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, as there of the six services *viz*., immunization, health check-up and referral services, provided under the Scheme relate to Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

The Anganwadi Workers who are the honorary workers and grass-roots functionaries under the ICDS Scheme work in conjunction with the health functionaries, i.e. Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA) and Auxiliary Nurse Midwife (ANM), for delivery of services under the ICDS Scheme.

As per the existing guidelines, both pregnant mothers and children who are severely mal-nourished are referred to Public Health Centres (PHC)/Sub-Division/District Headquarters Hospital as the case may be.

There is provision for a coordination committee at the District level, various meetings are organized at the District level between the Health and Women and Child Development Department under the Chairmanship of the District Collector. Also a provision has been made for organizing joint meetings, joint tours with the Health Department.

(e) Convergence with Health is emphasized upon the States by the Government from time to time.

Domestic Violence Act

303. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:
DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases registered under the Domestic Violence Act since it has been enacted, State-wise;

(b) the disposal of the above cases;

(c) whether Protection Officers have been appointed in different States; and

(d) whether this 'Act' is serving its objective?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) The information compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), Ministry of Home Affairs for the years 2005, 2006 and 2007 is given in the Statements (*See* below).

(c) The Protection Officers have been appointed in all States except Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Jharkhand, Karnataka and Union Territory of Chandigarh.

(d) The Act provides for speedy remedy and relief to women who are victims of domestic violence.